

FORM B - BUILDING

<u>AREA</u>	<u>FORM NO.</u>
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MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION  
80 BOYLSTON STREET  
BOSTON, MA 02116

Town Barnstable (Osterville-N & W Bays)

Address 135 Bridge Street

Historic Name Lincoln House Club

Photo (3"x3" or 3"x5", black and white) Indicate address of property on back of photo. Staple to left side of form.

Use: Present dwelling

Original dwelling

## DESCRIPTION

Date 1899

Source Barnstable Patriot

Style shingle style

Architect unknown

Exterior Wall Fabric shingle

Outbuildings garage

Major Alterations (with dates) None

Condition good

Moved no Date n/a

Acreeage 1.35 93/34

Setting residential

Sketch Map: Draw map showing property's location in relation to nearest cross streets and/or geographical features. Indicate all buildings between inventoried property and nearest intersection(s).  
Indicate north

see attached assessors' map

UTM REFERENCE 19/383660/4608540

USGS QUADRANGLE Cotuit, MA

SCALE 1:25,000

Recorded by Barbara Crosby  
Candace Jenkins

Organization Barnstable Historical Comm.

Date 1986

### **NATIONAL REGISTER CRITERIA STATEMENT (if applicable)**

The Lincoln House Club possesses integrity of location, design, setting, materials, workmanship, feeling and association. It is significant for its early associations with the "fresh air" movement, and as a fine, unaltered example of the Shingle Style. It thus meets criteria A and C of the National Register of Historic Places.

### **ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE Describe important architectural features and evaluate in terms of other buildings within the community.**

The Lincoln House Club is a fine local example of the Shingle Style which has survived intact despite its conversion from club/lodging house to private dwelling after 1922. In the best tradition of the style as it developed in the 1880s, the entire mass of the house is gathered under one sheltering broad gabled roof and is entirely sheathed with shingles. The house rises 2 1/2 stories beneath the roof which extends on carved brackets. Large dormers break the smooth slope of the roof. A porch contained by the roof, faces out toward the sea.

### **HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE Explain the role owners played in local or state history and how the building relates to the development of the community.**

This structure was erected by the Lincoln Club of Boston, a "fresh air" association whose members could enjoy the seaside for two weeks in the summer. This building served as the Association's center as well as a lodging house. The Association was dissolved in 1922 and the property sold. Tradition asserts that the building was designed by a Boston architect, but does not name the designer.

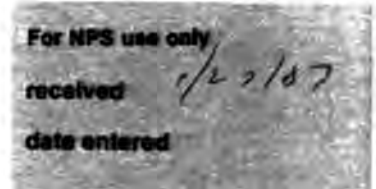
An Indian burying ground may also be located on the property. During renovations, a headless skeleton was found lying on top of the heating pipes. An examiner from Harvard's Peabody Museum came to no definite conclusions about the origins of the skeleton.

### **BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES**

Barnstable Patriot. 3/13/1899.  
Oral History. Elizabeth Miller, 135 Bridge St., Osterville.  
Barnstable County Atlas. 1907.

**United States Department of the Interior  
National Park Service**

**National Register of Historic Places  
Inventory—Nomination Form**



Continuation sheet

Item number

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Multiple Resource Area  
Thematic Group

Name Barnstable MRA  
State Barnstable County, MA

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

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|---|--------------------------------------|------------------|--|
| 61. Jenkins, Joseph, House                      | Entered in this<br>National Register | Keeper<br>Attest | <u>Melvin Byrum 3/13/87</u>                                      |
| 62. Jenkins, John, Homestead                    | Entered in this<br>National Register | Keeper<br>Attest | <u>Melvin Byrum 3/13/87</u>                                      |
| 63. Jenkins--Whelden Farmstead                  | Entered in this<br>National Register | Keeper<br>Attest | <u>Melvin Byrum 3/13/87</u>                                      |
| 64. Liberty Hall                                | Entered in this<br>National Register | Keeper<br>Attest | <u>Melvin Byrum 3/13/87</u>                                      |
| 65. Lincoln House Club                          | Entered in this<br>National Register | Keeper<br>Attest | <u>Melvin Byrum 3/13/87</u>                                      |
| 66. Lovell, Capt. George,<br>House              | Substantive Review                   | Keeper<br>Attest | <u>Patrick Andrus 11/10/87</u><br><u>Beth L. Savage 11/10/87</u> |
| 67. Lovell, Nehemiah, House                     | Substantive Review                   | Keeper<br>Attest | <u>Patrick Andrus 9/18/87</u><br><u>Beth L. Savage 9/18/87</u>   |
| 68. Marstons Mills Hearse<br>House and Cemetery | Entered in this<br>National Register | Keeper<br>Attest | <u>Melvin Byrum 3/13/87</u>                                      |
| 69. Marston, William, House                     | Entered in this<br>National Register | Keeper<br>Attest | <u>Melvin Byrum 3/13/87</u>                                      |
| 70. Merrill Estate                              | Substantive Review                   | Keeper<br>Attest | <u>Patrick Andrus 9/18/87</u><br><u>Beth L. Savage 9/18/87</u>   |



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**8. Significance**

Period \_\_\_\_\_ Areas of Significance—Check and justify below

Specific dates \_\_\_\_\_ Builder/Architect \_\_\_\_\_  
Statement of Significance *(in one paragraph)*

- summary paragraph
- completeness
- clarity
- applicable criteria
- justification of areas checked
- relating significance to the resource
- context
- relationship of integrity to significance
- justification of exception
- other

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**9. Major Bibliographical References**

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**10. Geographical Data**

Acreage of nominated property \_\_\_\_\_

Quadrangle name \_\_\_\_\_

UTM References \_\_\_\_\_

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Verbal boundary description and justification

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**11. Form Prepared By**

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**12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification**

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

\_\_\_\_ national      \_\_\_\_ state      \_\_\_\_ local

State Historic Preservation Officer signature

title \_\_\_\_\_ date \_\_\_\_\_

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**13. Other**

- Maps
- Photographs
- Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to \_\_\_\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_



Lincoln House Club

135 Bridge St.

Barnstable MA, MA



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SCALE 1" = 100'



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